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November-December 24
Newsletter

Here are upcoming events in your association.

November

- 2 Ministry Wives "Come Thrift with Me," Liberty Road Baptist, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- 3 Daylight Savings Time Ends (fall back one hour)
- 5 Election Day (PRAY & VOTE!!!)
- 5 Pastors Lunch Fellowship, El Charro in Belle, 11:30 AM
- 9 Trustees Meeting (winterize camp), Camp, 9:00 AM
- 9 GriefShare Surviving the Holidays, FBC Belle, 2:00 to 4:00PM
- 18 – 25 Operation Christmas Child Collection Week
- 21 Pastors Roundtable, FBC Linn, 6:30 PM
- 24 Operation Christmas Child Dedication Service, FBC Belle, 2:00PM
- 24 – 30 Mission Center Office Closed for Thanksgiving Week

December

- 1 – 8 Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Offering
- 3 Pastors Breakfast Fellowship, Granny's in Bland, 8:00 AM
- 3 Giving Tuesday!
- 4 – 8 Operation Christmas Child trip to processing center in Texas
- 10 Pastors and Wives Christmas Dinner, Rustic Garden, Bland, 6:00 PM
- 22 – 28 Mission Center Office Closed for Christmas



Trent & Dana are here
to serve your church

You can find dates and resources at
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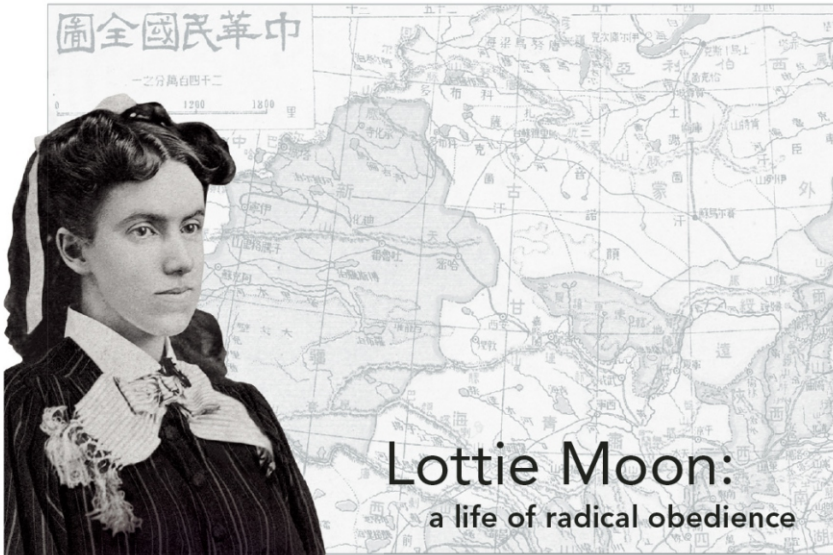


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Call Trent's cell at 580-475-6267

We have recently disconnected our land line here at the camp. This will save us quite a bit and keep us from answering political and marketing calls etc. (I'm sure you understand) We are still here to help and answer questions.



Lottie Moon:
a life of radical obedience

Lottie Moon was appointed a missionary to China July 7, 1873. She was a bold woman of action and radical obedience who shared Christ with her beloved Chinese to the end. Lottie died Dec. 24, 1912, leaving a legacy that lives on. Her influence led to the establishment of the Woman's Missionary Union and inspired other missions pioneers to join her on the field. Her passionate letter-writing led to the offering that bears her name today — Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® for International Missions.*

Pray about giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Pray for our missionaries around the world right now.

What if God called you to go?
What would you say or do?



November 24 – Dedication Service, FBC Belle, 2PM

December 4-8 – Trip to work at the Processing Center in Dallas, TX

March 8, 2025 – OCC Celebration, FBC Belle, 1PM to 3PM

November 18-25 – Collection Week at FBC Belle

Monday, Nov. 18 – 9AM to 11AM
Monday, Nov. 18 – 3PM to 7PM
Tuesday, Nov. 19 – 9AM to 11AM
Wednesday, Nov. 20 – 5PM to 7PM
Thursday, Nov. 21 – 9AM to 11AM
Thursday, Nov. 21 – 5PM to 7:30PM
Friday, Nov. 22 – 9AM to 11AM
Saturday, Nov. 23 – 9AM to 11AM
Sunday, Nov. 24 – 1PM to 3PM
Monday, Nov. 25 – 7AM to 10:30AM
Please contact Mary Moore at 573-578-8516 or maryaliceOCC@gmail.com with questions or to volunteer to work during collection week. Or just show up to help!

Happy Thanksgiving, and thank you!


As we come to this season of thanksgiving, I'm looking back at an incredible year in our association and our camp. So I want to say several thank you's.

Thank you Jesus! Without you we would have no reason to do all that we do. We would have no churches, no association and no camp!

Thank you to our churches for supporting the mission of the association and the camp. Dana and I are here to serve you all, but your support has allowed us to serve and involve so many!

Thank you to each person who has served in so many ways this year. Bunches of folks have made meals, swung hammers and led ministries like children and youth camps. This is not the Trent and Dana deal - it is all of us working together for the glory of Jesus!

We truly love you all and love serving alongside you! We really look forward to 2025 and all that God will do and provide! It's gonna be a Jesus party!

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Sunday November 3rd



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

for the **PERSECUTED CHURCH**

But you can pray any day for our brothers and sisters around the world. Get more info at persecution.com

**Are you praying for our BSU groups?
One of the best ways to reach the world.**





Would you be willing to provide a meal on a Monday night for Bible study at State Tech?

Pray about this please!

GVBA applied to have summer missionaries again this summer. Texas Baptists have approved our site and will be interviewing students in February to possibly send 2 students to serve with us for June and July of 2025. Please pray for God to call out students to serve!



Missions Opportunities for you!

**Let us know if your church is planning a mission trip - so we can spread the word!
There may be a person at a sister church looking for a place to go and serve!**

For help on many topics, listen to Alan & Trent's podcast!
Find it at enduringchurches.com
or wherever you listen to podcasts
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Another great chat
on  RIVERSIDE

New insights and interviews each week!

Our 24-25 Theme

They are following your **FootSteps**




OH MAY ALL WHO COME BEHIND US FIND US FAITHFUL

O my people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth. what we have heard and known, what our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done.
Psalm 78 verses 1, 3-4

A man was hired to paint a boat. He gathered his paint and brushes and painted the boat bright red, just as the owner had asked. While working, he noticed a small hole in the hull and quietly repaired it without saying a word.

After finishing the paint job, he was paid for his work and went on his way.

The next day, the boat owner returned to the painter with a generous check, much more than the original payment. The painter was surprised and said, "You've already paid me for painting the boat, sir!"

The owner smiled and replied, "This isn't for the paint job—it's for fixing the hole in the boat."

The painter, puzzled, said, "But it was such a small thing... surely it wasn't worth this much."

The owner's face grew serious. "You don't understand. Let me explain: When I asked you to paint the boat, I forgot to mention the hole. Yesterday, after the paint dried, my children took the boat out for a fishing trip without knowing about the hole, and I wasn't home at the time. When I realized what had happened, I was filled with dread. I was sure something terrible would happen. But when I saw them return safely, my heart was filled with relief. I inspected the boat and realized you had repaired the hole."

"You see, my friend, you saved the lives of my children. I can never repay you enough for that small act of kindness."

The story reminds us that no matter who we are, how small the act may seem, or when we offer help, we can make a profound difference in someone's life. You never know when your actions might repair a "hole" for someone else, and in doing so, save their life.

Do everything as for Jesus - you just might save someone's life!



Special thanks to Scott John and Kenny Kilmer for teaching us so much during our recent training!

We learned why churches need to be prepared to protect our folks and to help those who might have a medical emergency at church! If your team needs a place to practice - call Trent about coming to the camp.

Be prepared to protect and serve your church family!

More options coming to your camp

In 2025 we hope to add several challenge course obstacles plus a few primitive camping spots. Our camp is a great place for your school, organization or home school group to have an adventure and grow as a team!

So start planning now for when camp opens in 2025!



SNACK SHACK COMEBACK!



This next summer the snack shack will be open once again to provide drinks and snacks and shirts for camps. This building has been used for storage for a few years but will be remodeled back to its former glory and purpose! Look for this in summer of 2025!



Thanks so much to Jeff & Carol Davis for opening up their home for our Blacksmith Experience!

Great learning Great fellowship and amazing food too.

Seniors learn lots about CPR and other safety tips on Senior day at camp!

It was a "Souper" good Senior day at camp. Senior Adults from across GVBA enjoyed wonderful food. Jack Kurrelmeyer provided music then Donnie Brown taught about CPR and lots of other safety tips. Donnie is available to provide training at your church or organization.

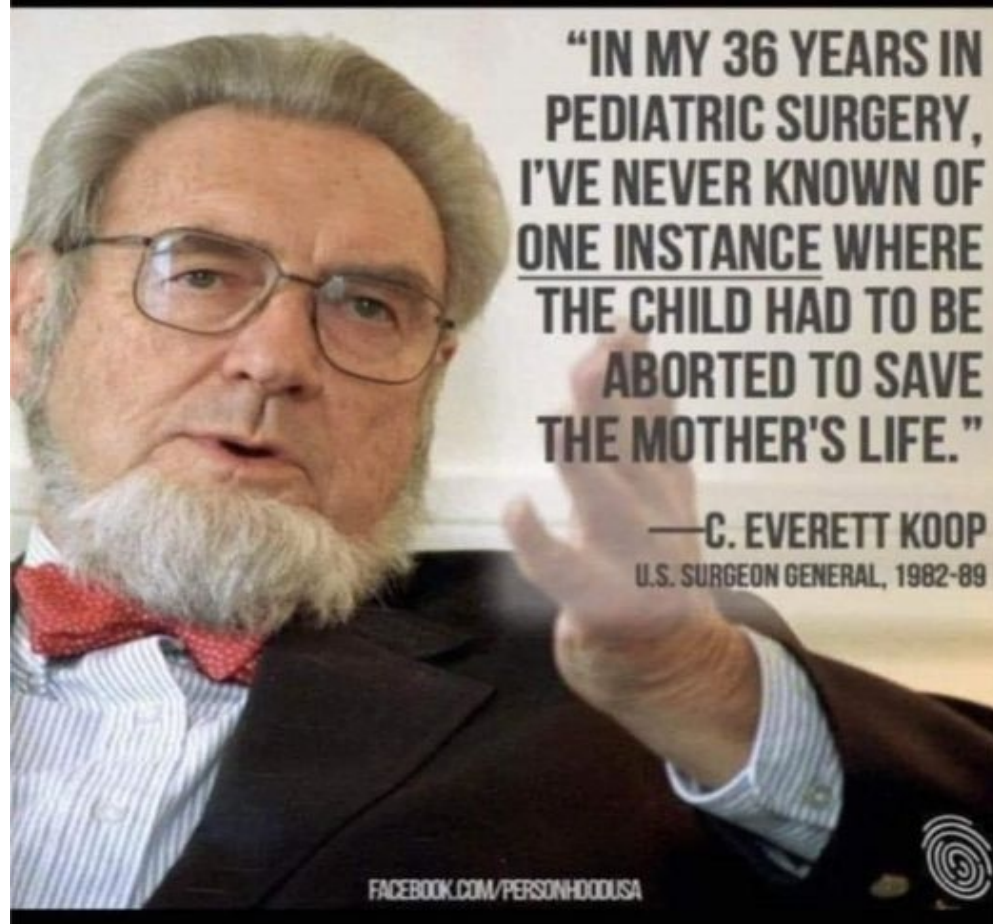
Contact him at 573-619-2577.

Join us Friday, May 16, 2025, for our Spring Senior Day!



Will God open a door?

Will you join me in praying for an open door of some kind in towns like Westphalia, Freeburg, Rich Fountain, Argyle, and Morrison. These communities are in our association area but have no Baptist church. People in these areas need to hear the good news about salvation through Jesus. Pray for an open door!



The Phil & Gail Rector Prayer Journey



In 2025 we hope to begin creating another very special place at your camp. Just north of the cabins we are planning a new pond with a walking trail and benches around it.

GVBA was so blessed by the ministry of Phil and Gail Rector for 21 years! We would like to call this special area the Phil and Gail Rector Prayer Journey!



How can you be involved?

You can help us by doing several things.

1. Pray - We need God's provision
2. Help us find people with skills and equipment to get the job done.
3. We will need several benches to place along the path around the pond. (2 already donated!)
4. You can give to help make this dream a reality!



Will you pray about giving or helping?



Making your camp better for our future!



needed: Park Benches
 needed: Fridge and shelves for snack shack
 needed: Swing set
 needed: A Back-Hoe
 needed: patio furniture

Yay - all of our mattresses have been replaced!

Pray for Warsaw Bible Church!



God is moving so much at Warsaw Bible Church

GVBA has committed to send \$420 each month to support the work at Warsaw Bible Church.

We need your help to keep that going!

Give through your church or send directly to GVBA.



You can give by scanning the QR or you can go to gvbamo.com

Do you have a heart for missions? We plan to take another trip to help in Poland. Do you have a passport? Start working on that now!





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because they were
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